

Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** in 1970, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was created with the mission to protect the environment and public health; and in this same year, 20 million people in the United States celebrated the first Earth Day; and
- WHEREAS,** the idea for Earth Day arose at the grassroots level and evolved into a national day of awareness and education focused on environmental concerns; and
- WHEREAS,** the Earth and its ecosystems are our home and in order to achieve a just balance among the economic, social, and environmental needs of present and future generations, it is necessary to promote harmony with nature and the Earth; and
- WHEREAS,** Earth Day is celebrated annually to recommit to the goals of a healthy environment and a peaceful, just, and sustainable world; and
- WHEREAS,** Alamedans are committed, through the goals of the Local Action Plan, ordinance, policies, and our actions, to the preservation and stewardship of the natural landscape, open space, and sensitive environmental areas; and
- WHEREAS,** Community Action for a Sustainable Alameda (CASA) acts as a citywide coalition to raise awareness, mobilize action and facilitate implementation of programs to help the City of Alameda achieve its goals of reducing Alameda's carbon emissions, while increasing sustainability and well-being; and
- WHEREAS,** the City's Public Works Department, Recreation & Park Department, Alameda Municipal Power, Alameda County Industries, and the East Bay Regional Parks Department are jointly sponsoring the Earth Day Festival on April 16, 2011, at Washington Park.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Marie L. Gilmore, do hereby proclaim April 16 as

Earth Day Alameda 2011

and invite all Alameda residents, businesses, civic groups, government agencies, and other organizations to participate in local and regional celebratory and educational activities.

Marie L. Gilmore
Mayor

City Council
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